

MASTER OF ARTS IN SECONDARY EDUCATION WITH INITIAL CERTIFICATION

The MA in Secondary Education provides candidates with the theoretical and pedagogical knowledge and skills needed for initial certification in Secondary Education (Grades 7-12) in one of five subject areas: English, Math, Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, or General Science), Social Studies/History, and World Language (French, German, Latin, or Spanish). Through a combination of foundational and subject-specific coursework, field experiences, and a culminating master's project, candidates earn both their initial certification and master's degree. Candidates can earn their master's degree and certification in Secondary Education through the post-baccalaureate master's degree program or through the Five-Year Integrated Bachelor and Master of Arts degree program.

Requirements

For the MA in Secondary Education, candidates complete all core and discipline-specific course work, including the following:

Code	Title	Credits
Core Curriculum		
ED 0429	Philosophical Foundations of Education	3
ED 0441	Teaching and Learning within Multicultural Contexts of Education	3
ED 0442	Educational Psychology	3
ED 0499	Introduction to Educational Research	3
or ED 0552	Participatory Research and Advocacy in School and Community Settings	
ED 0512	Contemporary Schooling in Society	3
MD 0400	Introduction to Educational Technology	3
SE 0403	Foundations in Research and Evaluation of Psychoeducational Issues in Special Education	3
SE 0565	Evidence-Based Strategies in the Inclusive Classroom	3

Discipline-Specific Courses

Select 18-24 credits in Discipline-Specific coursework (see below) 18-24

Master's Project

ED 0511	Educating for Social Responsibility and Civic Engagement: A Capstone Seminar ¹	3
or ED 0599	Professional Writing Seminar: Product of Learning	
Total Credits		45-51

¹ ED 0599 may be substituted for Secondary Math candidates *only*.

Note: Grade of B (3.0) or better is required in student teaching.

Discipline-Specific Coursework

English

Code	Title	Credits
ED 0459	Developmental Reading in the Secondary School	3
ED 0466	English Methods	3
ED 0581	Directed Observation and Supervised Student Teaching: Secondary Education	6
ED 0589	English Seminar	3
EN 0405	Literature for Young Adults	3
EN 0411	Teaching Writing in the 3-12 Classroom	3
EN 0417	Teaching and Learning Grammar	3
Total Credits		24

History/Social Studies

Code	Title	Credits
ED 0468	Social Studies/History Methods	3
ED 0515	Economic and Physical Geography	3
ED 0581	Directed Observation and Supervised Student Teaching: Secondary Education	6
ED 0594	Social Studies/History Seminar	3
Select one elective in American Studies with advisor approval		3
Total Credits		18

Mathematics

Code	Title	Credits
ED 0455	The Literate Learner: Using Critical and Strategic Literacy in the Content Areas, Grades 5-12	3
ED 0464	Mathematics Methods	3
ED 0581	Directed Observation and Supervised Student Teaching: Secondary Education	6
ED 0591	Mathematics Seminar	3
Select two graduate-level mathematics electives in Statistics and Geometry with advisor approval ²		6
Total Credits		21

² If taken previously, alternate courses may be selected with advisor approval.

Science

Code	Title	Credits
ED 0462	Science Methods	3
ED 0572	Guided Research in Science	3
ED 0573	Instructional Issues in Teaching Science	3
ED 0581	Directed Observation and Supervised Student Teaching: Secondary Education	6
ED 0592	Science Seminar	3
Total Credits		18

World Language

Code	Title	Credits
ED 0455	The Literate Learner: Using Critical and Strategic Literacy in the Content Areas, Grades 5-12	3
ED 0463	World Language Methods	3
ED 0581	Directed Observation and Supervised Student Teaching: Secondary Education	6
ED 0593	World Language Seminar	3
SL 0439	Methods of Foreign Language Teaching for Elementary School	3
SL 0467	Language Acquisition	3
Total Credits		21